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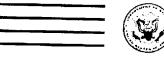


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RWANDA:

## Rebels Move on the Capital

Following the Hutu-dominated interim government's flight from Kigali yesterday, some 2,000 rebel troops of the mostly Tutsi Rwandan Patriotic Front took control of kev points in the city and pledged to restore order, The RPF says it will honor a UN-brokered ceasefire until tomorrow night to permit the evacuation of foreign nationals.

- The rebels probably are moving into Kigali to protect Tutsi
kinsmen from rampaging government troops;

- The 500 Belgian paratroopers, 300 French troops, and 80 Italian soldiers based at Kigali's airport probably will need to remain at least several days to evacuate foreigners from the countryside.

Nearly all international relief workers have been evacuated, and about 350,000 displaced Rwandans north of Kigali, who were displaced by earlier fighting, may head for refugee camps in Tanzania in search of aid.

- The 260,000 Burundian refugees in southern Rwanda since ethnic violence flared in Burundi last year would be at risk if their humanitarian aid is disrupted.

During informal discussions yesterday, UN Security Council members were leaning in favor of withdrawing most of the UN force in Rwanda but leaving behind a small contingent to facilitate cease-fire and political negotiations,

 Belgium wants to withdraw
its UN battalion—one of three in Rwanda—as soon as possible.

- Evacuation of remaining UN forces would be more difficult after the European troops leave Kigali airport.

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